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O P E N C H A M P I O N S H I P '57

The Open in Oakland was a new experience, even for an old-timer like me! I've directed many events, but never have I directed three tournaments at one time, (the U.S. Open puts all players in one group, so also with the many Amateur Opens I have conducted all over the country), tried to please players, who had to get away early, adjudicate games (in Rounds I and II), posted results (thanks to the kindly help of Chuck McGinley), and, if we succeeded in keeping law and order, then it is due to the general cooperation I received from the Directors of C.F.N.C. and the players in all divisions as a whole!

In the Expert-A Division the competition was very close. It was impossible to tell until the last round games were over, as to who would win what!

LARRY LEDGERWOOD played with verve, and showed good combinational play. Here's a young lad who deserves watching! HAROLD EDELSTEIN, though beaten in the final round by LEDGERWOOD, fought in most of his games, even winning a lost game to EARL YAGGIE, (see games section). R. PLOCK possesses great theoretical knowledge and with more experience under his belt he will go far.

LOUIS TOMORI reestablished himself by nosing out MIROSLAV NEKVASIL of Czechoslovakia. Louis played steady chess and that makes for good scores in any tournament. ERIC BRENT deserved his third place; a dangerous opponent at any time.

AMOS KNACK in winning "C" Division, really went to town, and bore down hard on his opponents.

Many played for the first time in C.F.N.C.'s OPEN TOURNAMENT and one and all enjoyed it. In fact, they enjoyed it so much that they asked, as soon as the event was over: "When is the next Tournament!" The question intrigued...and as we really enjoyed the hard labor too, we worked diligently, and are happy to announce our FIRST OPEN SPRING TOURNAMENT on March 23-24 in SAN FRANCISCO. C.F.N.C. is a leader and helps promote further interest in Chess and thus deserves your support. I will be directing the tournament again on March 23-24.....Hope all you Chess Friends will be there too!

George Koltanowski

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CHESS FRIENDS OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OPEN RESULTS
FEBRUARY 9-10

Expert and Class A

1.	Ledgerwood, Larry	5½	T.
2.	Plock, R. J.	4½	T.
3.	Edelstein, Harold	4½	T.
4.	Gartenhaus, S.	4½	
5.	Dickinson, Robert	4½	
6.	Hendricks, Wade	4½	
7.	Cummings, Frederick	4	*
8.	Farly, George	4	
9.	Taggart, Don	4	
10.	Chappell, Alan	4	
11.	Cuneo, Raymond	3½	
12.	Zeiler, Ben	3½	
13.	Gross, Dr. Ben	3½	
14.	Lieberman, Jim	3	
15.	Huneke, Carl	3	
16.	King, Henry	3	
17.	Stevens, Wm. S.	3	
18.	Landfair, Walter	3	
19.	Yaggie, Earl	3	
20.	Thacker, Ronald	3	
21.	Schmerl, James	3	
22.	Anders, Ernst	3	
23.	Wang, Arthur	2½	
24.	Olvera, Frank	2½	*
25.	Rebold, Wm.	2½	
26.	McLeod, Dan	2½	
27.	Edberg, Richard	2½	
28.	Hardy, David	2	
29.	Cook, Jim	2	
30.	Joplin, Steve	2	
31.	Trenberth, Robert	2	
32.	Bullockus, Dr. T.	2	
33.	Carter, Melville	2	
34.	Lamon, Ralph	1½	*
35.	Morey, Norman	1½	
36.	Igra, Dr. L.	1	
37.	Murphy, R. L.	1	

Class B

1.	Tomori, Louis	4½	T.
2.	Nekvasil, Miloslav	4½	T.
3.	Brent, Eric	4	T.
4.	Gieger, Robert	4	
5.	Turner, Leroy	4	
6.	Cleghorn, Peter	3½	

Class B continued

7.	Thomas, Hardy	3½	
8.	Bredoff, Mike	3½	
9.	Buder, Norman	3½	
10.	McGinley, Chas.	3½	
11.	Bogdanoff, David	3	
12.	Allen, Leighton	3	
13.	Jacobson, David	3	
14.	Romander, Hugo	3	
15.	Forcman, Bruce	3	*
16.	Tripodes, Tom	3	
17.	Lund, Robert	2½	
18.	Perry, L. E.	2½	
19.	Bartholomew, Ernest	2½	
20.	Carson, John	2½	
21.	Wheeler, Les	2	*
22.	Pattullo, Wm.	2	
23.	Osternig, Louis	2½	
24.	Willis, Douglas	2½	
25.	Frandy, Mervyn	2	
26.	Reiley, Isham	2	
27.	Holmers, W. V.	2	
28.	Ballinger, Duane	2	
29.	Daniloff, Elena	2	
30.	Ausmus, Raymond	2	
31.	Nelson, W. A.	2	
32.	Boehme, Richard	1½	
33.	Snavely, Ted	1½	
34.	Wong, Ben	1½	
35.	Dalessi, Don	1½	
36.	Jolly, Frank	1	*
37.	Dickstein, Dr. L.	1	
38.	MacGregor, E. R.	1	
39.	Rosenstein, Dr. L.	1	
40.	Cleaveland, G. H.	½	
41.	Ellington, Miles	0	
42.	Vargas, Edward	0	

Class C

1.	Knack, Amos	5	T.
2.	Bignami, Louis	4½	T.
3.	Stenner, Ron	4	T.
4.	Wiebe, Richard	4	
5.	Hathway, C. W.	4	
6.	Hill, Leonard	3½	
7.	Barton, Carl	3½	

T. Trophy
* Book Prize

Class C continued

8.	Peterson, Gary	3½	
9.	Mulligan, Major P.	3	
10.	Finnegan, Richard	3	
11.	Kilker, Stanley	3	
12.	Hill, Arden	3	
13.	Emery, Russell	3	
14.	Turner, Robert	3	
15.	Bartholomew, Mrs. M.	3	
16.	Hoppe, Roy	3	*
17.	Cordes, Craig	3	
18.	Grosz, Max		
19.	Raynal, E. L.		*
20.	Phillips, Douglas		
21.	Sarafian, Leo		
22.	Ambrose, Larry	2	
23.	Newcomer, Nathan	2	
24.	Rivera, Manuel	2	
25.	LaBrash, George	2	
26.	Kreft, John	2	
27.	Hurley, John	2	
28.	Henderson, Howard	2	
29.	Wheeler, Chas.	1	
30.	Ayer, Milo	1	
31.	Tullis, Lowell	1	
32.	Crayne, Chas	1	
33.	Shapiro, Stan	1	
34.	Stegman, Paul	1	
35.	Farris, Richard	0	
36.	Sacre, Harry	0	*
37.	Guinn, Walter	0	

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Tournament Ratings — Tournament Ratings

TEAM CAPTAINS PLEASE NOTE: The following list does not effect the rating of players for the Winter Schedule. Revised ratings will be played at the start of the Summer Schedule; list to be published in advance.

ALLEN, Leighton.....B 1732
AMBROSE, Larry.....C 1553
ANDERS, Ernst.....A 1814
AUSMUS, Raymond.....B 1682
AYER, Milo.....C 1310
BARTHOLOMEW, Ernest.....B 1692
BARTHOLOMEW, M.....C 1544
BARTON, Carl.....C 1580
BELLINGER, Duane.....B 1638
BIGNAMI, Louis.....B 1660
BOEHME, Rinehard.....B 1622

T. Trophy
* Book Prize

Tournament Ratings continu[ed]

BOGDANOFF, David.....B 1768
BREDOFF, Mike.....A 1864
BRENT, Eric.....A 1878
BUDER, Norman.....B 1794
BULLOCKUS, Dr. T.....A 1830
CARSON, John W.....B 1698
CARTER, McIville.....B 1772
CHAPPELL, Alan.....A 1954
CLEAVELAND, G. H.....C 1526
CLEGHORN, Peter.....B 1786
COOK, Jim.....A 1826
CORDES, Craig.....C 1536
CRAYNE, Chas.....C 1394
CUMMINGS, Frederick.....E 2088
CUNEO, Raymond.....E 2020
DALESSI, Don.....C 1572
DANILOFF, Elena.....B 1620
DICKINSON, Robert.....E 2054
DICKSTEIN, Dr. L.....B 1674
EDBERG, Robert.....A 1954
EDELSTEIN, [illegible].....E 2034
ELLINGTON, [illegible].....C 1502
EMERY, Russell.....C 1580
FOLLY, George.....E 2024
FARRIS, Richard.....C 1430
FINNEGAN, Richard.....C 1564
FOREMAN, Bruce.....A 1834
FRANDY, Mervyn.....C 1542
GARTENHAUS, Solomon.....E 2052
GIEGER, Robert.....A 1840
GROSS, Dr. Benjamin.....A 1864
GROSZ, Max.....C 1504
GUINN, Walter.....C 1322
HARDY, David.....B 1742
HATHWAY, C. W.....B 1656
HELMERS, Walt U.....C 1596
HENDERSON, Howard.....C 1500
HENDRICKS, Wade.....E 2136
HILL, A. B.....B 1616
HILL, Leonard.....B 1690
HOPPE, Roy.....B 1684
HUNEKE, Carl.....A 1884
HURLEY, John T.....C 1500
IGRA, Dr. L.....B 1680
JACOBSON, David.....B 1762
JOLLY, Frank.....C 1428
JOPLIN, Steve.....B 1776
KILKER, Stanley.....C 1556
KING, Henry.....A 1852
KNACK, Amos.....B 1782
KREFT, John.....C 1434
LaBRASH, George.....C 1476
LAMON, Ralph.....B 1692

Tournament Ratings continued

LANDFAIR, Walter	E	2014
LEDGERWOOD, Larry	E	2120
LIEBERMAN, Jim	A	1854
LUND, Robert	B	1674
McGINLEY, Chas	B	1702
McLEOD, Dan	B	1770
MacGREGOR, E. R	C	1528
MOREY, Norman	B	1744
MULLIGAN, Major Peter	C	1478
MURPHY, Robert L	C	1582
NEKVASIL, Miroslav		1930
NELSON, W. A		1606
NEWCOMER, Nathan	C	1544
OLVERA, Frank	B	1728
OSTERNIG, Louis	B	1604
PATTULLO, Wm	B	1654
PERRY, L. E	B	1658
PETERSON, Gary	B	1610
PHILLIPS, D. A	C	1510
PLOCK, Richard J	E	2012
RAILEY, Isham	B	1608
RAYNAL, E. L	C	1438
REBOLD, Wm	A	1828
RIVERA, Manuel	C	1462
ROMANDER, Hugo	B	1718
ROSENSTEIN, Dr. L	B	1618
SACRE, Harry	C	1326
SARAFIAN, Leo	C	1472
SCHMERL, James	A	1922
SHAPIRO, Stan	C	1386
SNAVELY, Ted	B	1664
STEGMAN, Paul	C	1426
STENNER, Ron	B	1628
STEVENS, Wm	A	1822
TAGGART, Don	A	1954
THACKER, Ronald	A	1876
THOMAS, Hardy	B	1774
TOMORI, Louis	A	1918
TRENBERTH, Robert	A	1998
TRIPODES, Tom	B	1776
TULLIS, Lowell	C	1384
TURNER, Leroy	A	1870
TURNER, Robert	C	1572
VARGAS, Edward	B	1648
WANG, Arthur	A	1856
WHEELER, Chas	C	1510
WHEELER, Leslie	B	1656
WIEBE, Richard	B	1684
WILLIS, Douglas	B	1708
WONG, Ben	C	1584
YAGGIE, Earl	A	1880
ZEILER, Ben	A	1936

CLASSIFICATIONS:

E----Expert-------2000 and up
A----Advanced-----1800 to 1998
B----Intermediate-1600 to 1798
C----Average------1598 and less

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The next few games are the short-cuts from the C.F.N.C. OPEN

White: W. Landfair
Black: W. Hendricks
SICILIAN DEFENSE

1.	P-K4	P-QB4	5.	N-QB3	P-K4
2.	N-KB3	N-QB3	6.	N4-K2?	B-B4
3.	P-Q4	PxP	7.	P-B3	Q-N3
4.	N-N4	N-B3	8.	Q-Q3	N-QN5

White resigns (a)

(a) 9.Q-Q2,B-K6; 10.Q-Q1, (QxB, NxPch) 11.K-Q2, Q-K6 mate.

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White: A. Wang
Black: H. Edelstein
SICILIAN DEFENSE

1.	P-K4	P-QB4	8.	B-N2	BxNch
2.	P-KB4	N-QB3	9.	BxB	NxB
3.	N-KB3	P-Q3	10.	Q-Q2	NxB
4.	N-B3	N-B3	11.	QxN	B-N5
5.	B-K2	P-KN3	12.	P-KR3	N-Q5
6.	P-Q3	B-N2	13.	Q-KB2	BxN
7.	P-KN3?	NxKP	Resigns		

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White: R. Dickinson
Black: J. Cook
FRENCH DEFENSE

1.	P-K4	P-K3	11.	P-KB4	P-R5
2.	P-Q4	P-Q4	12.	N1-B3	N-QR4(b
3.	PxP	PxP	13.	P-B5	B-Q2
4.	B-Q3	N-KB3	14.	N-K5	P-B3
5.	B-KN5	B-K2	15.	BxN	BxB
6.	Q-K2	O-O	16.	Q-R5	R-K2
7.	N-Q2	R-K1	17.	P-KN4	Q-B2
8.	O-O-O	N-B3(a)	18.	P-N5	BxN
9.	P-QB3	P-QR4	19.	P-B6(c)	P-KN3
10.	R-K1	B-K3	20.	Q-R6	Resigns (d

(a)Much better is 8...P-B4, and open the QB file for counter-attac
(b)First 12...P-R3 is better.
(c)Threatens QxRPch and Q-R8 mate.
(d)There's nothing he can do against Q-N7 mate.

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HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS SINC YOU LAST RENEWED YOUR DUES? PLEA BE SURE TO NOTIFY THE TREASURER!!

The following game is actually a sad story of missed mates. Black sacrifices a piece for the attack, and when he has the mate in hand, he overlooks first a mate in two and then a mate in four!

WHITE: H. Edelstein
BLACK: E. Yaggie
FRENCH DEFENSE

1.	P-K4	P-K3	11.	Q-B2	P-KN4	22. K-R1	Q-BP
2.	P-Q4	P-Q4	12.	B-N3	P-KR4	23. N-K5	Q-Q3
3.	PxP	PxP	13.	BxB	QxB	24. QR-K1	N-N3
4.	B-Q3	B-Q3	14.	[illegible]-N4	P-[illegible]5	25. BxP	NxN
5.	N-KB3(a)	B-KN5	15.	[illegible]	B-Q2	26. PxN	Q-QB3
6.	O-O	N-QB3	16.	[illegible]	P-N5	27. BxBch	QxB
7.	P-B3	Q-Q2	17.	N-[illegible]	P-B4	28. Q-Q3	Q-N5
8.	B-KN5(b)	P-B3	18.	P-KB4	[illegible]	29. N-B3(d)	R-B1
9.	B-R4	KN-K2	19.	N1xP	QR-N1	30. QxP	RxPch(e)
10.	QN-Q2	O-O-O	20.	P-N5	P-R6(c)	31. Nx[illegible]	Resigns
			21.	PxN	RxPch		

(a)Prefer 5.N-K2 here. (b)Trying to stop Blac[illegible] from castling Q's side. Actually he is helping his opponent to set up a King's side attack fast! (c) Attack is all that matters now. (d)29.Q-B3 was needed. Now Black can mate in two moves with 29...RxPch; 30.KxR (orNxR) Q-N7 mate. (e) Overlooks that White will protect his KN2 square with his Queen. Instead 30...RxN; 31.QxR; R-N8ch; 32.RxR,QxQch; 33.R-N2, QxR mates!

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White: A. Knack
Black: R. Stenner
TWO KNIGHTS DEFENSE

1.	P-K4	P-K4	16.	N-Q3	Q-Q2	31.	Q-K2	Q-Q2
2.	N-KB3	N-QB3	17.	P-K5	B-K2	32.	R-K5	P-KN3
3.	B-B4	N-B3	18.	N-KB4	B-KB4	33.	Q-B3	Q-Q1
4.	O-O	B-K2	19.	P-K5	PxP	34.	Q-B4	Q-N3
5.	R-K1	O-O	20.	N-K5	Q-Q3	35.	P-N4	P-B4
6.	P-B3	P-Q3	21.	Q-R5	KR-B1	36.	QPxP	Q-B3
7.	P-Q3	B-N5	22.	N-K2	B-B3	37.	PxP	P-KR3
8.	QN-Q2	QN-R4	23.	N-N3	BxN	38.	PxPch	K-N3
9.	P-KR3	B-Q2	24.	RxB	B-N3	39.	Q-N3ch	K-R2
10.	P-QN4	NxB	25.	Q-N4	P-B3	40.	RxP	Q-K3
11.	NxN	P-Q4	26.	QR-K1	P-K4	41.	Q-Q3ch	K-N2
12.	NxKP	B-K3	27.	P-KR4	Q-B4	42.	R-Q7ch	K-B1
13.	B-N5	P-B3	28.	NxB	RxN	43.	Q-Q6ch	QxQ
14.	BxN	BxB	29.	RxR	PxR	44.	PxQ	K-K1
15.	P-Q4	R-K1	30.	RxRch	K-B2	45.	RxP	Resigns

White: L. Tomori
Black: M. Bredoff
RUY LOPEZ

1.	P-K4	P-K4	13.	B-Q3	P-QB3?	25.	R-K3	P-R5
2.	N-KB3	N-QB3	14.	NxB	QxN	26.	R-B3	QR-Q1
3.	B-N5	P-Q3	15.	P-QN4	Q-Q1	27.	R-K1	Q-R4
4.	O-O	B-Q2	16.	BxQP	R-K1	28.	R-B6	RxB
5.	P-QB3	B-K2	17.	P-K5	B-N5	29.	PxR	K-N2
6.	P-Q4	PxP	18.	P-KR3	BxN	30.	Q-B3	N-N4
7.	PxP	N-B3	19.	QxB	N-N4	31.	RxPch	NxR
8.	N-B3	O-O	20.	Q-N4	P-KN3	32.	RxR	QxP
9.	R-K1	P-KR3	21.	PxN	P-R4	33.	R-K7	QxP
10.	B-KB4	N-R2	22.	Q-B4	N-K3	34.	QxNch	QxQ
11.	N-Q5	P-R3	23.	Q-K3	Q-R5	35.	B-B4	Resigns
12.	B-B4	N-R4	24.	Q-K4	Q-N4			

White: D. Jacobson
Black: L. Tomori
QUEENS GAMBIT

1.	P-Q4	P-Q4	17.	BxPch	KxB	34.	R-B4	R-K3ch
2.	P-QB4	P-QB3	18.	NxB	QR-Q	35.	N-K5	P-N6
3.	N-QB3	N-KB3	19.	K-K3	R-Q4	36.	PxP	PxP
4.	N-KB3	QN-Q2	20.	N-B4	R1-Q1	37.	R-N4	R-QN8
5.	B-B4	PxP	21.	N-K5ch	K-K3	38.	K-Q3	R-R3
6.	P-K4	N-N3	22.	N-B3	P-QR4	39.	K-B3	R-R6
7.	N-K5	B-K3	23.	R-QN1	P-QN4	40.	N-B4	R-R7
8.	R-B1	P-KN3	24.	R-N2	K-Q4	41.	RxP	RxR
9.	N-R4	NxP	25.	N-Q2	R-R6ch	42.	KxR	RxP
10.	NxP	NxN	26.	N-N3	R-Q3	43.	N-K3	R-K7
11.	BxN	Q-R4ch	27.	R-B2	P-QR4	44.	N-Q5ch	K-B2
12.	B-Q2	NxB	28.	K-B4	P-R5	45.	N-B4	R-KB7
13.	QxN	QxQch	29.	N-R5	R-Q6	46.	P-N3	RxP
14.	KxQ	B-R3ch	30.	R-B5ch	K-K3	47.	K-B4	R-KB2
15.	K-K2	BxR	31.	NxP	K-B3	48.	N-R3	R-B4
16.	BxB	BxP	32.	R-B2	P-N5	49.	P-Q5	P-R3
			33.	K-B4	R-Q8	50.	K-Q4	R-B6
						51.	Resigns	

Read at the University of Pennsylvania Dinner by the author, H. Klingsberg---1951

CHESS

Let us all arise and bless,
The exasperating game of chess.

Hungry? Weary? Life a mess?
Find a partner; indulge in chess.

A noble pastime; great invention;
Not much tougher than the fourth dimension.

Take it up, and you will find,
No better way to lose your mind.

All the moves are quickly mastered;
It might help if you're slightly plastered.

The pawn is small, not much to look at;
He travels straight, but captures crooked.

Cherish him, for in the end,
He may prove your truest friend.

The knight; his course is rather freaky,
And if I may add, a trifle sneaky.

Like a phantom, like a ghost,
He shows up where it hurts the most.

The bishop; now, there's a chap,
Who dashes clear across the map.

Watch this fellow; if you're slack,
He will stab you in the back.

But of these minor arms, enough;
Let's discuss the heavy stuff.

The rook is clumsy, like a truck,
But if he's headed for you, duck!

Run for cover, find some shade;
Hide your king and barricade.

And now we pause, with humble mien,
And genuflect to the noble queen.

Proud protector of her lord,
Mistress of the chessic board.

If you keep her, you're in clover;
Lose her, everything is over!

To win in chess, so I am told,
Above all else, you must be bold.

Know the gambits, learn the tricks
And you, too, can say; "Mate in six."

But should you lose, don't stop to weep;
Take a pill and go to sleep.

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*S U P P O R T C.F.N.C.....

PROBLEM CORNER

By

Herbert Holden

We had about 25 entries in our problem solving contest and several contributions to the column. First prize in the contest will be a copy of "Practical Chess Openings", second prize will be a copy of "Chess Board Magic" and third prize will be a copy of "The Bright Side of Chess."

The solution to Problem #1 was P-B6. This problem has what is known as a "star-flight" theme because of the pattern of flight squares of the black king.

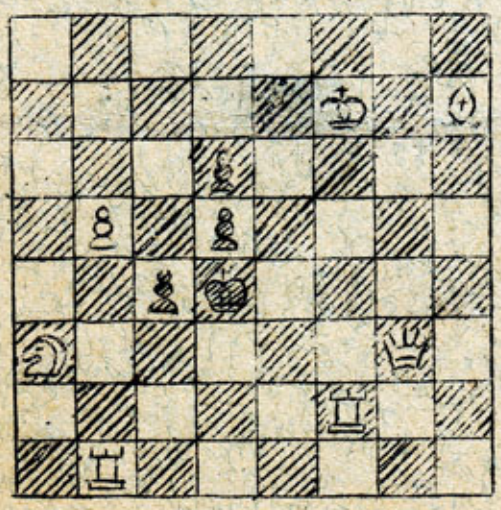
The solution to Problem #2 was P-K4 and the theme here is a "chameleon echo" because the two mates are repeated (the echo) and the black king stands on a different colored square in each mate (chameleon).

Sorry I am so slow in answering the mail but will get it done as soon as possible.

Problem #3 composed by Sher [illegible].

Problem #4 composed by your Editor.

#3. Mate in 2 - 7 points



#4. Mate in 3 - 5 points

